## **ABSOLUTE RATING: Below Average IMPROVEMENT RATING: Below Average**

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 89.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## **RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD**

Absolute Rating

Improvement Rating

2001 2002 Below Average

Below Average

2003

2004

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

# PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Mathematics** 

English/ Language Arts

**Advanced** 







**Below Basic** 

## **DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:**

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- **Proficient** Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORE	NG BASIC OR ABO	OVE ON THE	PACT	
	English/			Social
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies
All students (n=512)	49.6	37.1	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than				
Speech (n=58)	31	13.8		
Students without disabilities (n=447)	52.8	40.4		
Gender				
Male (n=274)	45.3	34.2		
Female (n=231)	56.3	41		
Ethnic Group				
African American (n=413)	46.2	34.1		
Hispanic (n=3)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=89)	67.4	51.1		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
Lunch Status Group				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=424)	47.4	35		
Pay for lunch (n=81)	65.4	49.4		

# **SCHOOL PROFILE** INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Dollars spent per student</li> </ul>	\$6,034	N/A	\$5,725	\$5,347
<ul> <li>Prime instructional time</li> </ul>	87%	Down from 87.1	% 89.7%	90.2%
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	16 to 1	N/A	17.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=552)				
<ul> <li>Attendance Rate</li> </ul>	94.8%	Down from 95.6	% 96.1%	96.2%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level</li> </ul>	13.3%	N/A	6.9%	4.1%
<ul> <li>Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve</li> </ul>	11.4% I	N/A	5%	3.1%
<ul> <li>First graders who attended full day kindergarten</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	97.8%	96.3%
<ul> <li>Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate	1.4%	Down from 2.4%	5.7%	3.6%
TEACHERS (n=46)				
<ul> <li>Professional Development days per teacher</li> </ul>	5 Days	Down from 8.6	7.6 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	92.8%	Down from 93.4	% 94.9%	95.1%
<ul> <li>Teachers with advanced degrees</li> </ul>	60.9%	Down from 63.6	% 44%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	82.6%	Down from 86.4	% 80%	83.8%
<ul> <li>Teachers with out-of-field permits</li> </ul>	4.3%	Up from 0%	3.1%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Teachers returning from the previous school year</li> </ul>	85.9%	Down from 89.1	% 83.6%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$39,420	Up 7.7%	\$36,588	\$37,520

### **SCHOOL FACTS**

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
<ul> <li>Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries</li> </ul>	73%	N/A	64.9%	65.3%
<ul> <li>Principal's years at the school</li> </ul>	1	N/A	3	4.0
<ul> <li>Parents attending conferences</li> </ul>	78.1%	N/A	87.2%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	N/A	N/A	59.3%	43.1%
<ul> <li>On academic probation</li> </ul>	N/A	N/A	0%	0.0%
<ul> <li>Older than usual for grade</li> </ul>	5.4%	Up from 2.5%	2%	1.1%
<ul> <li>Suspended or expelled</li> </ul>	1	N/A	2	1
<ul> <li>Gifted and talented</li> </ul>	8.9%	Down from 61.49	6.3%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	21.2%	N/A	8.9%	8.4%

# PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

I took over a school that was unsatisfactory by State standards. To make improvements at our school, I changed from self-contained 5th and 6th grade classes to team teaching.

I was also able to allocate funds for the financing of two after-school programs designed to benefit students with academic plans and students who needed additional help in Reading and Math. I held a "PACT Preparation Night" for parents and was instrumental in getting more males involved in their child's education.

Incentives were offered to students for academic achievements and improvements in behavior.

Under my administration, it was mandatory that teachers have conferences with all parents. Overall, I feel that I made significant improvements in the enhancement of the learning environment at Fairfield Intermediate School.



Fairfield Intermediate Road 1647 US 321 Bypass Winnsboro, SC 29180

**Grades** 4-6 Elementary School

Enrollment: 552 Students

**Principal** 

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# THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

<b>Annual School</b>	
Report Card	

2001

School Grade: Below Average

### **EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS**

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	76.3	82.2	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	75.7	86.6	
Satisfied with home-school relations	50.0	92.6	

### **DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS**

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

## South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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